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SUBJ: LEADER GRANT NOMINATIONS

REF: STATE 152195 & 258296

POST HERewith NOMINATES THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS FOR  
45-DAY IV LEADER GRANTS IN CATEGORY CONSULTATION AND  
OBSERVATION:

1. PRINCIPAL: KHALAKI SELLO
2. ALTERNATE: EDWIN TOKONYE KOTELLO
3. PRINCIPAL: P.L. PITSO
4. ALTERNATE: SELAI MOHAPI
5. PRINCIPAL: MRS. SELEKE MOKOSE (NO SUITABLE ALTERNATE)

I. 1. NAME: KHOLAKE SELLO

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS: PRESENT: MOST PROMINENT  
MASOTHO ATTORNEY PRACTICING IN LESOTHO; ACTIVE IN POLITICS;  
LEADER OF BCP/BASUTOLAND CONGRESS PARTY). PAST: NONE OF  
SIGNIFICANCE.

3. PERSONAL DATA: BORN AUGUST 4, 1933.

CITIZENSHIP: MOSOTHO.

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: UNKNOWN, OTHER THAN USA.

5. PREVIOUS U.S. GRANT: NONE.

6. ESCORT SERVICES: REQUIRED.

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: ELIGIBLE.

8. REASON FOR NOMINATION: NOMINEE IS MOST PROMINENT

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MOSOTHO PRACICING LAW IN LESOTHO. KNOWN AMONG HIS COLLEAGUES

AS ABLE WITH A BRIGHT FUTURE. EXPECTED TO ASSUME POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP IN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS, ALREADY PROMINENT MEMBER OF BCP. POST HAS HAD LITTLE CONTACT WITH HIM IN PAST.

9. POST OBJECTIVE: TO GIVE GRANTEE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET MEMBERS OF LEGAL PROFESSION IN U.S., OBSERVE LEGAL SYSTEM AT ALL LEVELS, GAIN BROAD UNDERSTANDING OF AMERICAN LIFE.

10. ESTIMATE OF AVAILABILITY: APRIL, 1975.

II. 1. NAME: EDWIN TOKONYE KOTELLO

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS: PRESENT: REGISTRAR OF LESOTHO HIGH COURT. PAST: CLERK OF LESOTHO HIGH COURT

3. PERSONAL DATA: BORN C. 1940. CITIZENSHIP: MOSOTHO

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: UNKNOWN, OTHER THAN RSA

5. PRECIOUS US GRANT: NONE

6. ESCORT SERVICES: REQUIRED

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: ELIGIBLE

8. REASON FOR NOMINATION: NOMINEE IS FIRST MOSOTHO TO HOLD HIS PRESENT POSITION. HE WAS TRAINED PERSONALLY BY THE PREVIOUS CHIEF JUSTICE AND THE PRESENT CHIEF JUSTICE IS ALSO TAKING PERSONAL INTEREST IN HIS CAREER. HE IS EXPECTED TO ASSUME HIGHER POSITIONS IN THE JUDICIARY.

9. POST OBJECTIVE: LESOTHO HIGH COURT HAS LARGELY BEEN IN HANDS OF EXPATRIATES UNTIL THIS YEAR. SERIOUS EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO PLACE BASOTHO INTO POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THE COURT. NOMINEE WOULD BENEFIT FROM ACQUAINTANCE WITH U.S. LEGAL SYSTEM AND COURT PROCEDURES.

10. ESTIMATE OF ELIGIBILITY: APRIL 1975.

III. 1. NAME: PETER L. PITSO (PRINCIPAL)

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS: PRESENT: PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE. PAST: EDUCATIONAL PLANNER, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION; TEACHER

3. PERSONAL DATA: DATE OF BIRTH: MARCH 15, 1930. CITIZENSHIP: MOSOTHO

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: UNKNOWN OTHER THAN RSA, UK AND NUMBER OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES

5. PREVIOUS GRANT: NONE

6. ESCORT SERVICES: REQUIRED

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: ELIGIBLE

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8. REASON FOR NOMINATION: NOMINEE IS RELATIVELY YOUNG FOR PRESTIGIOUS EDUCATION POST, TO WHICH HE APPOINTED OVER SENIORS. HE IS INTERESTED IN U.S. EDUCATION BUT HAS HAD LITTLE CHANCE TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE. GRANT WOULD ENCOURAGE HIM INCREASE UTILIZATION OF USIS AND EMBASSY ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE IN LESOTHO SCHOOL AFFAIRS.

9. POST OBJECTIVE: TO OFFER GRANTEE OPPORTUNITY MEET AND CONSULT WITH HEW EDUCATION OFFICIALS, STATE, COUNTY AND

CITY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND WORKING TEACHERS; VISIT CLASSROOMS, TO GAIN GREATER KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

10. ESTIMATE OF AVAILABILITY: MID-MARCH 1975.

IV. 1. NAME: EVELLY SELAE MOHAPI

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS: PRESENT: CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS, LESOTHO. PAST: STAFF MEMBER, LESOTHO HIGH SCHOOL; INSPECTOR OF SCIENCE EDUCATION. WIFE IS ANNOUNCER AT RADIO LESOTHO. SON, CHRIS, IS 1973 IMI GRANTEE.

3. PERSONAL DATA: DATE OF BIRTH: NOV 28, 1919.

CITIZENSHIP: MOSOTHO

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: CONSIDERABLE ABROAD

5. PREVIOUS U.S. GRANT: NONE

ESCORT SERVICES: REQUIRED

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: ELIGIBLE

8. REASON FOR NOMINATION: AS KEY OFFICIAL IN LESOTHO MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE, HE IS VERY IMPORTANT U.S. CONTACT, REGULAR ATTENDER OF USIS FUNCTIONS (SERVED AS OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN FOR MINISTRY AT RECENT USIS MUSICAL FUNCTION). ACTIVE SOCIALLY IN MANY FIELDS, HE IS WIDELY RESPECTED OFFICIAL WHOSE EXPOSURE TO U.S. EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM WOULD GUARANTEE INTEREST AMONG OTHER LESOTHO EDUCATORS IN THAT SYSTEM.

9. POST OBJECTIVES: TO PROVIDE THIS INFLUENTIAL EDUCATOR WITH ON-THE-SCENE KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN WHICH HE HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST. TO OFFER HIM CHANCE TO CONFER WITH AMERICAN COLLEAGUES IN FIELDS OF SCHOOL INSPECTION, EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS, AT STATE AND CITY LEVEL.

10. ESTIMATE OF AVAILABILITY: ANYTIME IN 1975.

V. 1. NAME: LELEKE MOKOSE (MRS.) (PRINCIPAL--- NO SUITABLE UNCLASSIFIED

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ALTERNATIVE EXISTS IN HER FIELD)

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS: REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE, AFRICAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE; PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER, LESOTHO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; BOARD MEMBER, AFGRAD NOMINATIONS.

3. PERSONAL DATA: DATE OF BIRTH: ABOUT 1932.

CITIZENSHIP: MOSOTHO

4. TRAVEL ABROAD: ITALY AND RSA

5. PREVIOUS U.S. GRANT: NONE

6. ESCORT SERVICES: REQUIRED

7. VISA ELIGIBILITY: ELIGIBLE

8. REASON FOR NOMINATION: AS PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER FOR LESOTHO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, MRS. MOKOSE AND U.S. COULD BENEFIT BY CONSULTATIONS WITH COLLEAGUES IN DEVELOPMENT FIELDS IN U.S., THUS INCREASING LNDC

AWARENESS OF U.S. ASSISTANCE IN THOSE AREAS. AS AAI REP IN LESOTHO, HER OBSERVATION OF LESOTHO GRANTEES AT U.S. SCHOOLS, AND CONSULTATION WITH AAI COLLEAGUES WOULD INCREASE HER EFFECTIVENESS. SHE IS ARTICULATE, INTELLIGENT NOMINEE WHOSE FUNCTIONS IN NUMBER OF FIELDS MAKE HER IMPORTANT TO U.S. MISSION.

9. POST OBJECTIVE: TO OFFER HER OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT WITH CU OFFICERS, USAID AFRICA DESK OFFICERS, AND AAI REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO GAIN FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE OF AFRICAN STUDENTS IN AMERICA.

10. ESTIMATE OF AVAILABILITY: LATE MARCH, EARLY APRIL, 1975.

VI. REF: PARA 3, STATE 258296, IN LIGHT CUT IN MASERU CU ALLOCATION AND APPARENT LACK OF INTEREST ON PART OF UBLS OFFICIALS, POST IS NO LONGER CONSIDERING GRANT FOR PROF. WEISFELDER.

VII. REF STATE 257230, POST HERewith NOMINATES MRS. MAMMELL MORRISON, RADIO SPECIALIST, RADION LESOTHO, MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, FOR JOINTLY-SPONSORED PROJECT FOR WOMEN IN THE BROADCAST INDUSTRY, APRIL 16-MAY 28, 1975. COMPLETE NOMINATION WITH REQUIRED DATA TO FOLLOW.  
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